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PROCESS FOR PRODUCING HIGH-STRENGTH SEAMLESS

PIPE HAVING EXCELLENT SULFIDE STRESS CRACKING RESISTANCE

<u>PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document is attached.

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The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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